

**1      Claim Amendment Summary****2      Claims pending**

3      • At time of the Action: Claims 1-66.  
4      • After this Response: Claims 1-7, 15-19, 64 and 65.

5      **Canceled or Withdrawn claims:** 8-14, 20-62, 63, and 66.

6      **Amended claims:** none.

7      **New claims:** none.

**8      Claims:**

9      1. **(ORIGINAL)** A computer-implemented method for hashing a  
10     body of text, the method comprising:

11     obtaining a body of text;  
12     deriving a hash value representative of content of the body of text,  
13     perceptually distinct bodies of text having hash values that are substantially  
14     independent of each other.

15     2. **(ORIGINAL)** A method as recited in claim 1, wherein  
16     perceptually distinct bodies of text have hash values that are independent of each  
17     other.

18     3. **(ORIGINAL)** A method as recited in claim 1 further  
19     comprising comparing hash values of two bodies of text to determine if such  
20     values match.

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1           4. (ORIGINAL) A method as recited in claim 1 further  
2 comprising comparing hash values of two bodies of text to determine if such  
3 values substantially match.

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5           5. (ORIGINAL) A method as recited in claim 4 further  
6 comprising indicating whether such values substantially match.

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8           6. (ORIGINAL) A computer comprising one or more computer-  
9 readable media having computer-executable instructions that, when executed by  
10 the computer, perform the method as recited in claim 1.

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12          7. (ORIGINAL) A computer-readable medium having computer-  
13 executable instructions that, when executed by a computer, performs the method  
14 as recited in claim 1.

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16          Claims 8-14 are CANCELED.

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18          15. (ORIGINAL) A computer-implemented method for hashing a  
19 body of text, the method comprising:

20           obtaining a body of text;  
21           deriving a hash value representative of the body of text, perceptually  
22 similar bodies of text having proximally similar hash values.

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1           16. (ORIGINAL) A method as recited in claim 15 further  
2 comprising comparing hash value of a body of text to determine if such value is  
3 proximally near hash values of a group of bodies of text having proximally  
4 clustered hash values.

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6           17. (ORIGINAL) A method as recited in claim 16 further  
7 comprising grouping the body of text with the group of bodies of text if the hash  
8 value of such body is proximally near the values of the group.

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10          18. (ORIGINAL) A computer comprising one or more computer-  
11 readable media having computer-executable instructions that, when executed by  
12 the computer, perform the method as recited in claim 16.

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14          19. (ORIGINAL) A computer-readable medium having computer-  
15 executable instructions that, when executed by a computer, performs the method  
16 as recited in claim 16.

17           Claims 20-63 are CANCELED.

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19          64. (ORIGINAL) A computer-readable medium having computer-  
20 executable instructions that, when executed by a computer, performs the method  
21 comprising:  
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23           obtaining a body of text;

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1                   deriving a hash value representative of content of the body of text,  
2 perceptually distinct bodies of text having hash values that are substantially  
3 independent of each other.

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5         **65. (ORIGINAL)**         A computer-readable medium having computer-  
6 executable instructions that, when executed by a computer, performs the method  
7 comprising:

8                   obtaining a body of text;  
9                   deriving a hash value representative of the body of text, perceptually  
10 similar bodies of text having proximally similar hash values.

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12         **66. (CANCELED)**

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